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LAW AND JUSTICE
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Pro Bono Legal Service
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Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to introduce any Pro Bono Legal Service platform for considering a lawyer to be elevated as a judge; and
(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE FOR LAW AND JUSTICE & ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI P.P.CHAUDHARY)

(a) & (b) : The Government has launched an online application procedure (available at http://www.doj.gov.in) for interested lawyers to enroll and volunteer for pro bono legal services. The Government has also decided to include and recognize credible pro bono legal assistance provided by lawyers who have registered in the platform as one of the yardsticks to be considered for appointment as a High Court Judge. As on date a total of 147 lawyers have enrolled in this scheme.